

PUBLIC NOTICE

File Number: NRS 14.328

Pursuant to Chapter 0400-4-7 of the Department's rules, the proposed activity described below has been submitted for approval under an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit and §401 Water Quality Certification. This notice is intended to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this application.

APPLICANT: John Agan, P.E.

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LOCATION: The project is located within the Centre South Industrial Park west of Riverport Road in Chattanooga, Hamilton County. Lat35.073507; long -85.272664

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A new manufacturing plant is proposed to be developed on the 43.5 acre Tracts 6 and 8. The development will include an approximately 165,000 square foot administration building, a 230,000 square foot manufacturing plant, and a second 230,000 square foot contiguous area for future plant expansion. The northern portion of the site will be developed for rail and loading facilities.

Current land use is open field. There are a total of two acres of wetlands within five areas ranging from 1.3 acres to 0.06 acres. All are herbaceous with species such as curly dock, sedges, buttercups, clover, spike rush and other species.

The applicant proposes to purchase credits from the Sequatchie Valley Wetland Mitigation bank to offset impacts to the 2.0 acres of wetland.

DEGRADATION: In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activities will result in degradation to water quality.

WATERSHED / WATERBODY DESCRIPTION: The proposed project lies within the Upper Tennessee River watershed. More information can be found at http://www.state.tn.us/environment/water/uppertennesseewatersheds/.shtml

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Mike Lee

FACTORS CONSIDERED: In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The department shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration. The department shall also consider loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impact to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.

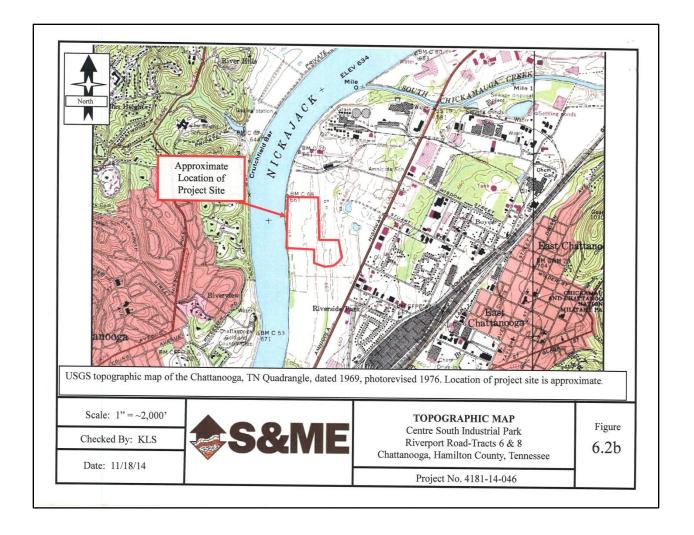
COMMENTING: Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced. Send all written comments to the department's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator.

PUBLIC HEARING: Interested persons may request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing. Send all public hearing request to the department's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator.

APPEAL: A permit appeal may be filed, pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 69-3-105(i) and Rule 0400-40-05, by the permit applicant or by any aggrieved person who participated in the public comment period announced by this notice. This petition must be filed within THIRTY (30) DAYS after public notice of the issuance of the permit. The petition must specify what provisions are being appealed and the basis for the appeal. It should be addressed to the technical secretary of the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas at the following address: Tisha Calabrese Benton, Director, Division of Water Resources, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave, 11th floor, Nashville, TN 37243. Any hearing would be in accordance with T.C.A. §§69-3-110 and 4-5-301 et seq.

FILE REVIEW: The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address (listed below) for review and/or copying.

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation Division of Water Resources, Natural Resources Unit William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor Nashville, Tennessee 37243





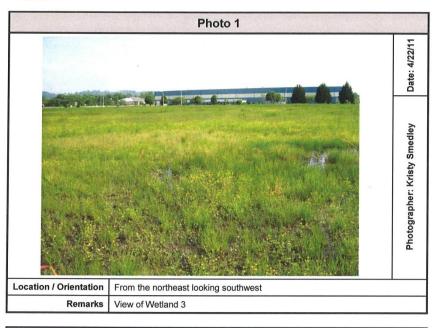


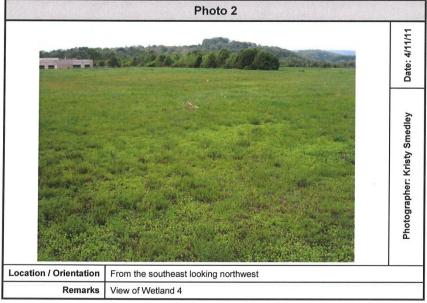
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